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| AND CONNECTION SET-UP       | ) |  |
| METHOD FOR SETTING UP CUT-  | ) |  |
| THROUGH CONNECTION          | ) |  |

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Copies of the listed documents were previously submitted in prior application Serial No. 08/766,959, filed December 16, 1996, upon which applicants rely for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. § 120. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed document and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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